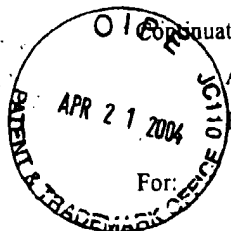


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Continuation Application of

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a Reply to the Office Action dated October 21, 2003 for three months from January 21, 2004 to April 21, 2004 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

In lieu of filing a Reply, Applicants' Attorney is filing a Continuation Application concurrently herewith.

	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Other than Small Entity</u>
1 month -	\$ 55	\$ 110
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3 months -	X \$ 475	\$ 950
4 months -	\$ 740	\$1,480
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Respectfully submitted,

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